

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of	)	
<b>QUICKSILVER RESOURCES, INC.</b> , for authority	)	Case No. U-13611
to construct and operate the Star 4 Pipeline in	)	
Antrim and Otsego counties.	)	
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At the December 6, 2002 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing, Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. David A. Svanda, Commissioner  
Hon. Robert B. Nelson, Commissioner

**ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION**

On October 29, 2002, Quicksilver Resources, Inc., (Quicksilver) filed an application, pursuant to the provisions of 1929 PA 9, as amended, MCL 483.101 et seq., requesting authority to construct and operate the Star 4 Pipeline.

The proposed pipeline will consist of a 4-1/2 inch outer diameter line approximately 7.14 miles long, extending from Quicksilver's All State Star Central Production Facility (CPF) in the SE/4 of Section 4, T30N, R5W, Star Township, Antrim County to a point of interconnection with Quicksilver's North Hayes 6 inch pipeline in the SW/4 of Section 10, T30N, R4W, North Hayes Township, Otsego County.

The pipeline will be used to transport natural gas from the All State Star CPF to market by way of the existing gas transmission system.

Attached to the application are engineering specifications covering the construction, testing, and operation of the pipeline to demonstrate compliance with the Michigan Gas Safety Standards and a map showing the location of the proposed pipeline. The maximum allowable operating pressure of the pipeline will be 1,440 pounds per square inch gauge, and its estimated cost is approximately \$749,100.

After reviewing the application, the Commission finds that the pipeline will serve the public convenience and necessity and that ex parte approval is appropriate.

The Commission FINDS that:

- a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1929 PA 9, as amended, MCL 483.101 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.51 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; MSA 22.13(1) et seq.; 1969 PA 165, as amended, MCL 483.151 et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1992 AACRS, R 460.17101 et seq.
- b. The map, route, and type of construction of the Star 4 Pipeline should be approved.
- c. The pipeline is practicable in that it will provide an economic means of delivering natural gas to market.
- d. The pipeline will meet the requirements of the Michigan Gas Safety Standards if constructed, tested, and operated as proposed.
- e. The pipeline will serve the public convenience and necessity.
- f. The public interest will be adequately protected without the time and expense of a public hearing.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

A. Quicksilver Resources, Inc., is authorized to construct and operate the Star 4 Pipeline in Antrim and Otsego counties, as proposed in its application filed on October 29, 2002 and subject to the requirements of 1929 PA 9, as amended, MCL 483.101 et seq.

B. The map, route, and type of construction of the Star 4 Pipeline are approved.

C. Within 60 days after construction, Quicksilver Resources, Inc., shall file a completion report, including pressure test data and a map of the Star 4 Pipeline as constructed.

D. If in the future the Star 4 Pipeline is operated as a common carrier for third-party gas, appropriate filings must be made with the Commission concerning rates and contracts.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to MCL 462.26.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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/s/ David A. Svanda  
Commissioner

/s/ Robert B. Nelson  
Commissioner

By its action of December 6, 2002.

/s/ Dorothy Wideman  
Its Executive Secretary

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Suggested Minute:

“Adopt and issue order dated December 6, 2002 granting Quicksilver Resources, Inc., authority to construct and operate the Star 4 Pipeline in Antrim and Otsego counties, as set forth in the order.”